(iii) Wage disbursement to NREGA workers through Banks/Post Office accounts has been made mandatory to ensure proper disbursement of wages to NREGA workers. 8.13 crore bank/post office accounts have been opened so far.

(iv) The Ministry has accorded utmost importance to the organization of Social Audits by the Gram Panchayats and issued instructions to the States to make necessary arrangements for the purpose. Modifications have been made in para 13 of Schedule-I of the Act to provide for procedures on conducting social audits. The Ministry has issued instructions to the State Governments for enforcement of the new social audit provisions under NREGA.

(v) Independent Monitoring by eminent citizens has been approved.

(vi) District level Vigilance and Monitoring Committees have been set up for monitoring of rural development programmes including NREGA.

Road projects approved by NRRDA

1359. SHRI R.C. SINGH: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals approved by the National Rural Roads Development Authority (NRRDA) under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) during last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that inspite of releasing 97 per cent of funds only 60 per cent of works have been completed in various States;

(c) if so, the reasons for such tardy progress of works;

(d) whether the target to complete works under PMGSY has been pushed to 2012-13 from 2007-08; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN): (a) State wise details of the works under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) approved by the Ministry of Rural Development after scrutiny by National Rural Road Development Agency (NRRDA) is given in Statement.

(b) Under PMGSY 1,02,563 works valued at Rs. 1,11,361 crore have been approved by the Ministry of Rural Development till 30th September, 2009. An amount of Rs.57,483 crore has been released to the States. The State Governments have incurred expenditure of Rs.54,985 crore and completed 63,670 works till September, 2009. Hence the expenditure as percentage of sanctioned cost is 49.3% and completion of works is 62%. Expenditure as percentage of fund released to the states is 96%.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) and (e) Initially, it was envisaged to achieve the targets under PMGSY by end of Tenth Five Year Plan. This could not be achieved due to reasons mentioned below:

(i) Inadequate resources

(ii) Inadequate project execution capacity in states

(iii) Inadequate contracting capacity in some states

(iv) Issues related to availability of land and delay in forest clearance

At present, no target has been fixed for completion of the works under PMGSY.

Statement

Details of the Projects cleared during 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09

Sl. No.	States/UT	2006-07 No. of roads	2007-08 No. of roads	2008-09 No. of roads
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	340	366	1260
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	116		104
3.	Assam	629	139	2582
4.	Bihar	432	945	5628
5.	Chhattisgarh	683	1251	1049
6.	Goa			
7.	Gujarat	449	386	466
8.	Haryana	47	108	67
9.	Himachal Pradesh	639	165	19
10.	Jammu and Kashmir	251	25	440
11.	Jharkhand		353	669
12.	Karnataka	256	313	739
13.	Kerala	84	322	200
14.	Madhya Pradesh	3071	2800	1935
15.	Maharashtra	1559	441	128
16.	Manipur	59		131
17.	Meghalaya	26		36

1	2	3	4	5
18.	Mizoram		30	47
19.	Nagaland		29	11
20.	Orissa	851	1689	2076
21.	Punjab	119	639	
22.	Rajasthan	3634	2321	337
23.	Sikkim	67	93	105
24.	Tamil Nadu	379		2409
25.	Tripura	266	332	78
26.	Uttar Pradesh	2881	817	1310
27.	Uttarakhand	102	94	
28.	West Bengal	236	444	590
29.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	38		81
	TOTAL	17214	14102	22497

PMGSY in Maharashtra

1360. SHRI RANJITSINH VIJAYSINH MOHITE-PATIL: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many kilometer of roads were laid under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in Maharashtra during 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09;

(b) the amount allotted to Maharashtra Government during above period for the purpose and the amount spent by the State Government during this period; and

(c) what is the target for the current financial year for roads to be laid under PMGSY?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN): (a) The roads measuring 8680 km were built up during 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY). The details are as under:-

(i)	2006-07	—	1600 km.
(ii)	2007-08	—	2942 km.
(iii)	2008-09	—	4138 km.
	TOTAL	—	8680 km.